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HON. E. M. VERRELL FOR REPRESENTATIVE

Authorized by the Honorable E. M. Verrell The Hummer takes pleasure in announcing his candidacy for the State Legislature.

This makes the race on this side of the creek a lively affair and Mr. Verrell launches his political boat with the one great thought of paddling his own canoe. His sails are set for the whirlwind campaign in the summer and the voters can look out for big doings when he hits the shores of argumentative oratory and masterly delineation of Mississippi events.

Mr. Verrell has lived in Chickasaw county for over 28 years and knows its people and affairs from careful personal study and close attention to the trend of our history. He has farmed during these years with more than the average success and in his work among his people has lived the ideal man and gentleman. No man can say that he is not kind and helpful to his friends and to all who need the kindly administrations that he so ably gives.

Mr. Verrell has traveled all over the state and his close observation has given him a clear and comprehensive view of the common weal. He favors a more economical government in the expenditure of the public moneys and believes that the state and county taxes should be separately classed and executed. He believes that officials should be put on a salary basis instead of the exorbitant fee system now prevailing. He also thinks the Tax-Assessor should be eliminated and the Supervisors take his place—the latter to draw a salary sufficient to get men who would spend their entire time in the discharge of county duties.

As to his qualifications we believe that he is able and worthy of wearing the legislative toga and we believe that he knows the exact needs and wants of the people whom he aspires to represent in Jackson.

The Hummer commends his candidacy and asks earnest attention to his speeches and careful consideration when the voting day rolls around.

Remember the vigilant, the valiant, the venerable and the very vigorous Verrell.

To the Voters of Chickasaw County:

I take this method of letting you know that I am a Candidate for Tax Assessor for the unexpired term, caused by the death of the late F. J. Walker.

Presuming that there will be a special primary some time about the 15th it will be impossible for me to see you all. If you do not know me ask your neighbor who does. First if I am worthy, second if I am qualified to fill this most important office, I sincerely ask of you a careful consideration in the primaries to be held this month. If elected I shall endeavor to prove my appreciation by giving you faithful and efficient service. Thanking you in advance for this consideration, I am

Sincerely yours,
John T. Marion.

Ed Sale, New Shoe Shop in J. A. Thomas old meat stand at Houlika. All work guaranteed.

Baxter N. Knox
Attorney-at-Law

Office over Tabb Bros. Drug Store
HOUSTON, MISSISSIPPI

Jurors for Special and Regular Term of Circuit Court.

Jurors for special term of Circuit Court which convenes in Houston on April 5th 1915.

J. H. Flemmings
Z. A. Bullard
T. J. Marshall
D. C. Robertson
L. M. Canipe
J. D. Chalpepper
T. H. Smith
J. L. Spencer
A. J. Mathews
S. M. Freeman
J. F. Woodruff
R. L. Stevenson
J. J. Cooper
W. T. Brown
C. C. Westbrook

Jurors for Regular term of Circuit Court which convenes Monday, April 12th.

C. A. Rhodes
P. McNamee
A. O. Alexander
W. J. Ray
C. S. McCluney
A. J. Pulliam
Jno N. Lyles
Karl E. Garner
J. F. Beatty, Sr.
J. H. Pearson
R. D. Pulliam
W. W. Porter
D. W. Tabb
J. L. Chennault
H. A. Flynn
J. B. Parker
J. D. Trammell
Lewis Ashcraft
W. P. Wren
H. G. Abbott
A. R. Lowrey
Claude Brand
R. L. Bishop
A. L. Gilliam
A. E. Marshall

SECOND WEEK OF REGULAR COURT:

W. N. White
B. F. Earp
A. P. Sany
J. M. Neal
Jim Blair
S. E. Austin
C. C. Thomas
Leonard Park
T. N. Weaver
J. A. Mordecai
Earnest Foster
L. L. Davis
W. R. Boyd
W. B. McNorton
J. G. Bray

To the Voters of Chickasaw County:

I am a candidate for Chancery Clerk of Chickasaw county, subject to your action in the August primary, and in presenting my claims to you will say that should you honor me by giving me this office, I shall endeavor to discharge the duties of same in a manner that will not only be highly acceptable to you, but owing to my experience in this office, and knowing and realizing what it takes to make an efficient Chancery Clerk, even to the minutest detail of the office, I shall exert every energy I am possessed of to this end.

I have never before asked you to support me, but ask you to do so this time. I promise that you will never regret it.

Yours truly,
Tom H. Johnson.

A Card to the Voters of Chickasaw County:

In making my announcement for the office of Circuit Clerk, I realize the necessity of qualifications.

I am making this race on My Own Merits, and ask that you carefully look into my record both as a man and citizen; and, if you think from this record I will make you a faithful and efficient clerk, I then ask your support. I want to meet you all before the election if possible.

If you are for me tell your friends about me.

I will appreciate your support and influence.

Yours to serve,
Will J. Stacy.

R. M. PEDEN FOR SUPERVISOR, BEAT 1

Mr. "Dick" Paden, as he is familiarly known by lots and lots of friends, has given The Hummer authority to announce his candidacy for the important office of Supervisor in Beat 1.

Mr. Peden is a "born and raised" Chickasaw Countian and for fifty years he has lived among the people a gentlemanly, neighborly and thrifty business man. In all his work he has been fair and impartial in every duty thrust upon him. While working the roads for the county he put in his time, rain and shine, for the benefit of the people first and then for himself. That is his motto in life—help my people and then myself. So since the election last Tuesday gave him a good vote over good men and he feels that he is qualified to be the next Supervisor when the big election comes off. He believes in reducing taxation, helping better the schools, improvement of the roads, making the convict system more efficient, improve the payment of county warrants and in all emergencies coming up before the Board he promises to give his very best attention and action.

The Hummer heartily commends his race and asks an earnest consideration of his claims. Remember R. M. Peden in August.

Another Man for Governor.

While everybody had settled down to five candidates for governor and were contemplating pro and con, another man flings his defiant hat into the boiling "ring around rosie" and says, "come on boys, let's hit the trail from Yellow Rabbit to Vinegar Bend."

His name is Col. Robert D. Gladney; editor, author, speaker, gentleman and an all round good man. His home is at Saltillo where he has resided since moving from Tupelo. Col Gladney is known all over North Mississippi and by hundreds of friends all over the state. He is a brilliant man and his knowledge of governmental problems, national and international, makes him as one of the widest read and best posted men of the South.

The Honorable MARION W. REILY CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR

Will address the Citizens of the following places on dates and hours named below. Your Presence Solicited.

Ethel, Attalla county	Monday, April 5th, 1:00 a. m.
McCool, Attalla county	Monday, April 5th, 7:30 p. m.
French Camp, Choctaw county	Tuesday, April 6th, 10:00 a. m.
Ackerman, Choctaw county	Tuesday, April 6th, 7:30 p. m.
Double Springs, Oktibbeha county	Wednesday, April 7th, 10:00 a. m.
Mathiston, Webster county	Wednesday, April 7th, 7:30 p. m.
Stewart, Webster county	Thursday April 8th, 10:00 a. m.
Eupora, Webster county	Thursday, April 8th, 7:30 p. m.
Walchall, Webster county	Friday, April 9th, 10:00 a. m.
Slate Springs, Calhoun county	Friday, April 9th, 7:30 p. m.
Vardaman, Calhoun county	Saturday, April 10th, 10:00 a. m.
Pittsboro, Calhoun county	Saturday, April 10th, 7:30 p. m.
Sarepta, Calhoun county	Monday, April 12th, 10:00 a. m.
Houlika, Chickasaw county	Monday, April 12th, 7:30 p. m.
Buena Vista, Chickasaw county	Tuesday, April 13th, 10:00 a. m.
Houston, Chickasaw county	Tuesday, April 13th, 7:30 a. m.

Mr. Reily invites the people at each of these places to come out and give him a careful hearing. He will make his platform clear and give you a full explanation of what he stands for in his canvas for Governor of Mississippi. All candidates for County offices are invited to be present and they will be accorded the privilege of making their announcement upon stating their desires to Mr. Reily. Ladies are especially invited to attend the speakings.

Respectfully,
E. M. CLARK, Chairman.

Hon. "Pet" W. Shell For Treasurer.

By his authority The Hummer is announcing this week the candidacy of the Honorable Pet W. Shell for the office of Treasurer, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

For sixty-nine years Mr. Shell has lived a good life in Chickasaw county. He is known and loved by everybody as a kind hearted, neighborly, earnest, sincere, dutiful and Christian working man. His deeds for good have been many and far reaching—sacrificing his personal pleasures and honest achievements for the other fellow.

Mr. Shell was once the Supervisor of the Houston Beat and in that trying work he did his duty as he saw it with credit to both himself and his friends. His work on the Board was a success and his knowledge gained from work of that kind specially fits him for the office to which he now aspires.

We believe that Mr. Shell is a good man for the position and heartily commend his candidacy to the voters. He will make the grand rounds and explain his views on the questions of affairs to all the people.

The Hummer asks your earnest consideration for the name of P. W. Shell.

To the People of Chickasaw County:

In making my announcement for the office of Chancery Clerk, I do so with a full realization of the duties and responsibilities of this—the most important office to every tax payer in this county.

If elected, I shall give every feature of the office, my entire time and all the service of which I am capable.

I am making this race on My Own Merits, hence I want every man in this county to carefully look into my record as a man and officer, and, if you think from this record that I will make you a faithful and efficient Chancery Clerk, I then ask you to support me. I want to see every one of you personally, if I can, before the election; to let you know that I am in the race to win. If you are for me, tell others about me, I am.

Yours truly,
W. A. Wilkinson.

To the Tax Payers of Chickasaw County.

We (the Board of Supervisors) were urged to change the system of working the County convicts, and as is generally known, I now have them on the roads in Beat 2 for the months of March and April.

We are doing some good work, widening the roads, building up low places, putting in culverts, and taking up stumps.

The people of this neighborhood seem to be well pleased with the improvement going so far, and if we are good during the summer months we will be able to move them at once.

I earnestly request people living on or owning land on the public highway and having fences, telephone poles or other obstructions within 15 feet of the center of the road, to move them at once.

Give the managers, Morgan and Hall a chance. They are doing the best they can under the circumstances. Funds being short we have been unable to buy but two mules for the Beat but hope to get three more soon and start the grader.

The work done by Carter and Bishop could not be surpassed with only two mules to work with.

The rain and cold weather have greatly retarded the work all around.

R. N. BOYD.

Member Board of Supervisors

To the Voters of Chickasaw County:

Please remember I still want to be your Circuit Clerk. Don't forget the name.

Ed H. Chennault.

To the Voters of Beat One.

I wish to thank you all who supported me in the election of March 30. I want to say that I feel proud of my vote. There was six good men in the race with me, and I led the ticket. I also desire to thank my opponents for their fairness and good fellowship which prevailed throughout the canvass. Again thanking you for your vote, and assuring you that I will look after the interest of the tax payer. I am as ever,

Your friend,
R. M. PADEN.

To the Voters of Chickasaw County:

Friends: I am in the race for Tax-Assessor to fill out the unexpired term of the late Frank J. Walker's term of office and I hereby make a personal appeal to you for your vote in this special election.

I realize that when any man asks for the trusts of an office he should not only consider his need of and his desire for the office but he should also consider his own capability to creditably do the work concurrent with this "gift of the people." I know that the voters of Chickasaw county are "awake" (as they should be) to this phase of the question and they are asking about every office-seeker. Is he fitted for the office if we elect him? Friends, my need for this office and my desire for it is as great as any man's and I am sure that I can do the work in a satisfactory manner, and I promise you that I will do my best to make you a conscientious and faithful Tax-Assessor shall you give me this office.

I shall see as many of you as I possibly can before the election but I ask that each and every one of you will take this as a special and personal plea for your vote and I assure you that I shall sincerely appreciate your help.

And, you friends, who know me, I am asking you to help others know me also, and I thank you in advance for your every kindness to me.

Respectfully,
W. A. Dendy.

Hon. Frank J. Walker Died Last Tuesday at Houlika.

After three weeks of intense suffering, Mr. Frank J. Walker died March 30, at 4 p. m.

During his sickness he valiantly fought the ravages of disease with all the grit and determination that characterized his daily life up to his death. He suffered the agonies uncomplainingly and never gave up the great hope that he would yet LIVE FOR HIS FRIENDS.

Mr. Walker was the son of Mrs. Janet Walker of Houston and the brother of Dr. W. C. Walker, Miss Janet Walker, Mrs. Henry Alsop, John M. Walker, Mrs. Annie Hughes, Towery, Curtis Walker and G. L. Walker. His wife was Miss Margaret Sledge of Duck Hill, whom he married November 14, 1911.

Mr. Walker was 46 years old, having been born on the farm of Mr. J. W. Hamilton October 30, 1869. He farmed, clerked and later took up a good position as traveling salesman. For some years he was fireman and engineer in Mississippi and Kentucky and then was appointed by the civil service bureau to do work for the government. Later he helped paint the big battleships of the United States Navy and from that he came home to follow the sign and house painting profession. He was also at one time the state organizer for the W. O. W. of Alabama.

He was a Methodist; Mason; W. O. W., K. P., Knight of the Maccooes, Worthy Patron in the Order of the Eastern Star and Tax Assessor of Chickasaw county. In all of these he was loyal and true to his duty.

While running for Tax Assessor he made one of the most remarkable races ever made by a home man, winning over a dozen opponents.

Mr. Walker's body was brought to Houston at noon Wednesday and was buried with Masonic honors at three that afternoon. Hundreds of his friends attended the funeral the floral offerings were banked high and beautiful on his grave.

Mr. Walker's life was the great motto of "serve my friends," and no man ever had a kinder heart or would do more for his friends than the lamented Frank J. Walker. While the rigors shook him into awful suffering, that awful thing of WORRY helped to cause his death. His wife, two children, John Curtis and Marvin, besides numerous relatives and friends mourn his loss with the thought of a vacancy that cannot be filled. The Hummer extends sincerest sympathy to the bereaved family.

Knox for Re-Election.

Hon. Rush H. Knox, District Attorney for the third judicial district has announced for re-election. In a statement issued at the opening of court this week he made known his purpose to run for this important office again.

Everyone will agree with this paper that that Mr. Knox has made an efficient and excellent District Attorney. He has discharged the duties of his office fearlessly, conscientiously and without partisanship toward any person or set of persons. No lawyer in the district is more competent to discharge the duties than Mr. Knox. He is known by practically everyone in the district and is popular with his friends everywhere.

It gives us great pleasure to announce Mr. Knox's purpose to make the race for this office, and his friends in this county will doubtless make the vote for him unanimous even should an opponent get in the ring.—Oxford Independent